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RMKS/1. INITIAL ANALYSIS OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE SOURCE OF REFERENCE A. INDICATES THIS REPORT PROBABLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 1310. THIS IS NOT A FINAL EVALUATION.

2. REFNO 1310: ON 25 OCTOBER 1968. STAFF SERGEANT BENJAMIN A. THOMPSON, JR.. WAS SERVING IN A RIFLE COMPANY IN VIETNAM. AT ABOUT 0900 HOURS. WHILE USING A DAMAGED FOOT BRIDGE TO CROSS A STREAM.

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SERGEANT THOMPSON LOST HIS HOLD AND FELL INTO THE STREAM IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XS576215. APPROXIMATELY 10 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE TOWN. BEN TRE PROVINCE. VIETNAM. RESCUE ATTEMPTS WERE MADE IMMEDIATELY BUT WERE UNSUCCESSFUL. DURING THE NEXT TWO DAYS UNSUCCESSFUL AERIAL SEARCHES WERE MADE BY HELICOPTERS. STAFF SERGEANT THOMPSON IS UNACCOUNTED FOR.

3. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE SOURCE CONCERNING THE YEAR. LOCATION AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS CORRELATE WELL WITH STAFF SERGEANT THOMPSON'S INCIDENT. THIS INCIDENT OCCURRED ONLY SEVEN HUNDRED METERS NORTH OF WHERE THE SOURCE ESTIMATES HE WAS LOCATED.

4. FOR JCRC-LNO: PLEASE A RE-INTERVIEW THE SOURCE OF REFERENCE A. AND ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH THE FOLLOWING:

A. GIVE DESCRIPTION/LOCATION OF THE BURIAL SITE USING THE RIVER. FOOTBRIDGE. VILLAGE AND SOURCE'S LOCATION AS REFERENCE POINTS.

B. IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN THE BURIAL.

C. WERE ANY PERSONAL EFFECTS OR CLOTHING REMOVED FROM THE BODY PRIOR TO BURIAL. AND IF SO WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM?

5. FOR CDRPERSCOM/TAPC-PED-P: THIS EVALUATION MAY BE RELEASED TO THE NOK OF BENJAMIN A. THOMPSON, JR. (REFNO 1310). A SANITIZED COPY OF REFERENCE A WILL BE FORWARDED SEPARATELY TO

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